

**Maine Revised Statutes**  
**Title 15: COURT PROCEDURE -- CRIMINAL**  
**Chapter 101: ISSUE OF PROCESS AND ARREST**

**§701. CRIMINAL PROSECUTIONS BY INDICTMENT; EXCEPTED CASES**

No person shall be held to answer in any court for an alleged offense, unless on an indictment found by a grand jury, except for contempt of court and in the following cases:

**1. Use of charging instrument other than an indictment.** When a prosecution utilizing a charging instrument other than an indictment is expressly authorized by rule of court; or

[ 1997, c. 4, §1 (RPR) . ]

**2. District Courts and courts martial.** In proceedings before the District Court, the District Court acting as a juvenile court and courts martial.

**SECTION HISTORY**

1971, c. 544, §49 (AMD). 1979, c. 663, §94 (AMD). 1997, c. 4, §1 (AMD).

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